

55 William Street.

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My dear Andrew,

I called upon
 Robertson again about Freeman's
 book & pointed out to them
 they 'had had it on their
 catalogue, although they told
 me they never had it - They
 tried to make out they never
 saw it so, but I know
 distinctly they did - As
 Mullen had ordered some
 copies some time before I
 applied to him I ordered
 the copy from him, and it
 is to be posted to you directly
 on arrival - I paid 10/6 for
 it & 6d for postage - This
 payment exhausts the money
 you sent me -

R.P.'s elevation to the
 Bench is an interesting

item of news for me -
It will have to be a
good elevation too won't
it? I should like to
see him perched up in
Court showing his beard
with becoming gravity. But
a more absorbing spectacle
would be Jack Woods
- presiding in the
Mahumonal Causes jurisdiction,
for instance

I see Bobbie has
been offered the Solicitor-
Generalship - I suppose
he'll accept it. I am
very glad to hear that
he has won such good
opinion. It is clear that
some of your chickens will
do you credit. This will
serve to make up for the
failures of others, although
dear Paddy, lest you should

misunderstand me, let me say
I know you have room in
your heart for them without
regard to these matters.

I have gone out of the
Shaving & Tobaccos line.
The matter fell through - after
various delays & disappointments
Dave then went up to Bangor
and entered into a Buck
business with his Cousin
Dave. A disagreement arose
as to remuneration here which
ended in his giving this
up. He left lately for
Camperdown, and I have
not yet heard what he is
doing. He is much better
physically than he was; but
he has a great repugnance
to anything connected with
office life - these changes and
general restlessness give me
no little concern. and I

should be more at ease
if he were to take to
something permanently.

I trust that Mache and
the children are now quite
restored to their usual health.
By the bye, what's the youngest
kitchen called Orlwyn for?
I don't see any points about
that boy. Please recollect
to explain this label to me.

I cannot yet say whether
there is any chance of my
coming over at Easter. Things
are much about the same
in regard to that probability.

Have you heard anything
from that compound of Laudanum
and coffin-lead called Patten
about the English business?
Mark Swan's Beef Contract lives
again in this precious piece
of hip van Winkelism.
With love to Mache and the boys
and girls of all ages. Believe me
and always affectionately yours
D. G. M.